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Choice Poetry.

A LIVING PICTURE.

"Her children arise up and call her blessed: her husband also, and he praiseth her."

No, I'll not say your name—I have said it now-and-yes, mine—dust in childish cradle tossed. I'm having a scene of my families dear delight. Till baby-noses reach us. Time may come when on your tear not once look down on your white hair, Smiling to hear us call each other thus, And, oftener, not alone the old, old dear, The marvellous days—days when we two were young!

How far off seems that time, and yet how near! Now, as I lie and watch you come and go (Memory's handfuls of spring greenery, in soft rain Just gathered, and brown curls that gild the fall, And over-us the flapping in the April wind)— I could forget these many years—start up, Crying "Come, let's go play!" Well-day. Good, Our playing is all done!

Still, let us smile; For as you dot about with those same dowers, You look like a spring morning, thrilled with light. And on your lips a bright remarks bird Sits, singing its gay heart out in old tunes; While, as embodied music, moves your step, Your free, wild, springy step, like ours. (The wind, Blazing on you, I see young Alice, Or Pocahontas, noble child o' the sun, Or Lady Geraldine, her "Courtship" o'er, Moves through the dark shrubs.

But I'll not prate Fair sorrowful hearer, ignorant in her That light intoxication laugh is worth a world! That laugh—with soft old-childishness. Well, now, Vague dream! Come, true and pure reality Come, dewy dawn of whitened, motherly head, Broadening to golden day. Come, aimed round Of unspoke joys, sweet dear, most happy years! When each tall hour deeps blow with liberal hand, I've leaves to-morrow richer than to-day.

Will you sit here? The grass is summer warm. Lean, how those children love the dusty stony. Do did we too, do you and I? Time rides! he has your rosy mouth. Yet, you will have's, Who knows how to behave's? Well, even so! They would not be more dark and deep, and kind.

Do you know, this hour I have been fancying you A poet's dream, and almost judged it true? There was no poet in praise you—

Why, you're down! After those wild sirens in the flower-bed there! Ah, ha! you've known all!

So best—so best. Make pretty songs, content, o'er unmoved eyes— I would not have you other than you are.

Pictures of Life.

THE DRUNKARD'S BIBLE.

BY MRS. S. C. HALL.

"There is more money made in the public line than in any other, unless it be pawn-broking," said Mr. Merritt Hawkins to his wife; "and I do not see why you should feel uncomfortable: you are a sober man: since I have kept you house, I never remember you get bodily unsound; indeed, I know that weeks pass with not your handkerchief being much less wear of spirits. If you did not sell them, somebody else would. And were you to leave 'the Gospel' alone, it would be left in a state of half who would not have your scruples. All the penny my dear, your house is the best conducted of in the parish—"

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Yes! where good seed has been sown, there is always hope. God, one day or other, it will, despite snares and pitfalls, despite scorn and bitterness, despite evil report, despite temptations, despite those wearing back-biddings which give the wicked and the idle scoffers ground for rejoicing—sooner or later it will fructify!

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The exposure concerning the spouse and sugar-tongs made Mathew so angry, that Martha refused she had never had anything to do with them; but instead of avoiding the fault, she simply resolved that her error should never again to let Mathew know any of her little transactions in the way of buying or barter—that was all!

Mathew, all that day, continued more thoughtful than usual; and that which the sister considered a bad sign: he was observed to his customers—nay, worse—he told a woman she should send girls to buy bread at his bar, and positively refused, the following Sunday, to open his house at all. Martha asked him if he was mad. He replied: "*Ha!*" he was "thinking his sermon." Then Martha thought it best to let him alone. She had been wrong—but that is, according to her reading of the word, "wrong"—before—taken the "tramps" in his sense way, but never before had gone back to the business "like a man."

Peter Crust came to pay up his score, managed, nevertheless, to pay for what he drank. For a whole week, Martha would not speak to his proposals for payment "at kind." even his wife's fear about could not tempt her, Martha knew nothing about it, and was "not accustomed; indeed, I know that weeks pass with not your handkerchief being much less wear of spirits. If you did not sell them, somebody else would. And were you to leave 'the Gospel' alone, it would be left in a state of half who would not have your scruples. All the penny my dear, your house is the best conducted of in the parish—"

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OUR CONTRIBUTORS.

Among the contributions to the Post during the year, will be ORIGINAL STORIES by GRACE GREENWOOD and by FANNY FERN—EASAYS and ARTICLES; on THE FATAL YOU, by Mrs. Southworth—LETTERS FROM DERBHAM by Mrs. Denison—LETTERS FROM EUROPE by "C. G." &c., &c.

Choice selections from foreign and domestic sources, Engravings, the News, Congressional Reports, &c., &c., shall be given as heretofore.

NOTICE.

Our clerk informs us that he has just finished sending certain important communications to a number of our subscribers. To these important communications—commonly called Bills—we would ask the immediate attention of those who have received them. The expenses of all newspapers are now much greater than they ever have been during our connection with the business, while the prices of most articles, the Post included, are as low as ever. It is therefore even more important than usual, that our subscribers should pay up as promptly as possible. They will please remember, further, that we have almost entirely dispensed with the system of Collecting Agents, and now depend upon our subscribers, out of this city, to remit through the mail.

If we may with good taste dwell a little longer upon a matter so very important to us, we will please say the same to Agents as to Subscribers—"Delays are dangerous," and that "Procrastination is the thief of" money. Promptness, as well as "Time." Every man therefore who owes money on his newspaper, should "make it sleep in his eyes nor slumber in his eyelids" until he has remitted the amount due—or promise it would be better, to retain a comfy look sleeping the nowhere as they come, until he can stand up squarely, in the sight of our counter with and interesting family, and say:—This paper is my own.

Well, "few words better no parsnips," says the old adage; but we trust that the above few rows will at least help matters some.

MIRIAM, THE AVENGER: OR THE FATAL VOW.

We design commencing in the course of two or three weeks, the publication of the promised original novelet by Mrs. Southworth. We hope to get, and we trust such a feeling is generally shared by our readers, a desire to have published before us the character of "Miriam," and to be admitted into the secret of the "Fatal Vow." We also begin to experience a longing for that narrative of intense interest, those scenes of wild beauty and thrilling terror, which are universally placed before us by a "magician's wand," when the gifted author of "The Deserted Wife" commences with ready hand the mingled web of romance.

Ah, those hot mid summer days! How can we toil in browning their appearance with heat and bringing rapidly on the cool delights of action, accessible as by laying better on table a million of reader number of those fascinating stories, which will now engage in the world of fiction! Therefore, prepare, all ye who have a constitutional "story, for another series of fire-pictures from the gifted soul of one who has learned soon and loved and suffered, and dipped her pen in mankind revered experiences of beauty and gladness and sorrow and pain.

The present story, we have the assurance of Mrs. Southworth shall be as short as she can possibly make it, without injury to the narrative. The last was far too long, notwithstanding its great merits. We shall publish an entire edition at the papers containing the entire chapters, in order to supply back numbers to new subscribers. And we trust that our readers will spread this announcement among each of Mrs Southworth's admirers as do not take the Post, that they may have an opportunity of perusing the successor chapters of the "Fatal Vow," as they appear, in their own, and not borrowed paper.

DEADLY WEAPONS IN CONGRESS.—The recent affair between Messrs. Critten and Cincerbrel, of Tennessee, has drawn from many of the press a relation of the practice of carrying deadly weapons into legislative chambers. The practice is well enough, but those who give it should go further, and notwithstanding the presiding officers of such bodies for not entering company in the halls. Many members of Congress, and others of prowess, will be duly grateful to be relieved of their knives and bowie knives in silence, and there wonder that deadly weapons should be carried into the halls where such solemn business is transacted. But who can wonder that a high-spirited man, who has been goaded into carrying itself with insult, should cause as a necessary consequence at unrestrained language. We, for one, would, and, without expressing any opinion upon the case to which we have alluded, the true character of which we are still ignorant of, we do not hesitate to assert that the only effectual way to prevent the shedding of blood in the halls of Congress, is to enforce the laws of legislative decorum and courtesy. We consider that the presiding officers of the Senate and House, during the present session of Congress, in allowing license to continue—ay more, to encourage—such personal insult, have been shorn a moral incompetency, diagnostic to dismemberment, by the bodies they preside over, and to the country.

RISE IN THE PRICE OF ENGLISH NEWSPAPERS.—The price of paper having risen in England so as to call for this unusual step, the London Times, it was altogether destroying the public relations of the commercial journals, we learn, that they have resolved to increase their rates of sale and subscription. In England, a newspaper is now going to raise the price of all the papers it has issued one penny. In England, the Times—which derived last year nearly two hundred thousand pounds sterling from its sales—has resolved to raise the price of its copy from three pence to four pence. The Saturday Review, the Spectator, and the Economist have also resolved to increase their rates of sale and subscription. In Glasgow, a movement is now going on to raise the price of all the papers a half cent each copy

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Congressional News.

THIRTY-THIRD CONGRESS.
FIRST SESSION.

SENATE.

On the 14 July, Mr. Benner presented the memorial of the army of Pennsylvania, praying for the passage of the Pension Bill now pending. He (also) called for the Senate to meet on Monday next to-morrow a bill to support the army.

Mr. Rockwell presented a petition from Lowell, Massachusetts, praying that the military reform be carried out in regard to superintendents of national armories.

Mr. Bigler

Selected Poetry.

THE SEASONS.

BY SCHOTTEL.

When the glowing Summer's here,
What joyful Notes from her hare!
Hay day!

When cold Came in Autumn shine,
There, oh, Heck, what glee our time!
Fruit-an-Scheme!

When grey Winters comes, what glee
Makes the round earth ring with we!
Ice and more.

May and corn and buds and flowers,
Harvest and home and Winter hours,
Spring and Summer, Fall and Winter,
With their sun and shade and showers,
Bring, in turn, their gifts divine!

Spring blows, Summer glows,
Autumn stores, Winter snows,
Summer, Autumn, Winter, Spring,
Circular hoards, Winter hides.

Winter, Spring, Summer, Autumn sound!
Spring and Summer, Autumn, Winter,
Summer, Autumn, Winter, Spring,
Sing, ye birds, in mead and bower,
Bush to tree, with glorious song!
Thus dear learning can be flower,
Time makes ripe and Time makes wise.

Longfellow's German Lyrics.

NO JEWELED BEAUTY IS MY LOVE.

BY GERALD MASSEY

No jeweled Beauty is my Love,
Yet in her earnest face
There's such a world of tenderness
She needs no other grace.

Her smiles, and tones, appeal my life
In light and music bring,
And dear, oh dear to me,
Is this true Love of mine.

O, hey! to snow there's one head lower,
Death comes to me
It sets mine leaping like a lyre,
In crimson music.
My soul to speak, a Poesy
To hear her voice divine.
And dear, oh very dear to me,
Is this sweet Love of mine.

If ever I have sigh'd the wealth,
Twas all for her, I trow:
And if I was Fame's victim-wraith,
'Tis cause it was her lover.
These may be forms more beautiful,
And souls of sunnier shine,
But none, oh none, so dear to me,
As this sweet Love of mine.

Selected Sketch.

GEORGE WASHINGTON.

REVOLUTIONARY REMINISCENCES

BY N. P. WILLIS.

One Highland neighborhood prides itself on the anecdotes, disinterred among its hills, and the memorials of Washington, so long here, and at such a trying period with his army, are Science and history must take us in their way. Perhaps even Mr. Sumner, too, would give us a reason-sustaining call, if he should hear, that, among other belongings of the Father of Independence, his "sweat sap" still survives among us, as well as his tea-kettle and arm-chair. Such is the test—if the ear alone is to be trusted with a word. UNCLE ENOCH is the curtain name of the only surviving member of Washington's a Life-Guard, a dark man of ninety-five years of age, here resident, and still hearty and active. And the circumstance with which he is commonly mentioned gives a measure of his old but lasting longe—a habit, which he has kept up for the night or nine years that he now lives in a widower, of celebrating his own birth-day by a call on all the widows of the country round about.

The portrait of this venerable "revolutionary," which hangs among the in the old mansion known as Washington's Head-Quarters, at Newburgh, had started a question as to his veracity; and we were enjoyed to do discourse that he was residing on just the other side of the mountain which we see from our western window—a brother farmer within ten or twelve miles of Idlewild. This was startling vouchsafe, for a still unmanned link with an age gone by, and, to drive over and see the old man on the first day that was the promise of an excursion that might even lay a rose leaf on the full cup of a June morning.

We have spoken once or twice in these letters, of our venerable next neighbor, Friend S., the Quaker, whose white locks and kind-cast of countenance of mere and features are among the most pensions and beautiful of the occasional pictures in our secluded grounds. To him, also, it was a surprise to learn that so interesting a person as Uncle Enoch was still living and within visiting distance, and he willingly agreed to make one of the party. His company had the additional merit, to us, that it would bring together two whose eyes had been familiar with the form of Washington, Friend S. (now eighty years of age) having been a boy in the neighborhood when the Head-Quarters were here, and seeing the great man almost daily.

The rural township to which we were bound is called Little Britain, and the atmosphere, on the morning of our excursion (June 10th), was of that occasional temperature which gives our hard and close landscape the softer effect of that of England. There would have been a third remnant of the pastoral company, in the sign of the old tavern, representing General George Washington on the British lion in a chain—but that remarkable painting is now removed. The highly cultivated fields, of the part of our country of eggs and turkey looked very English in the veiled sunshine. The cat-tle were English—Devon cows in every pasture. A belonging of our own native scenery was endearly missed, as we descended from the gap in the ridge of Snake-Hill—the black cattle, which line the walls on every road of our Highland Terrace. With the change of the soil, in passing the bowlcirm of mountains that shuts us in, the horticultuaust for this invariable tree evidently severe, and I had not realized, before, how fortunate we are in having such superb specimens accessible for the public roads, on our romantic ten-mile terrace.

At the gate of a small and unpainted farmcottage, on the side of a hill, I had up a very positive, and, as the front porch showed no sign of life, we took the gentle course to the back door. Here we were met by a middle aged lady, whose face we could but partially see, for the had on one of those sun-bonnets of cane, which all our country girls wear till they have got through with their work in the morning of this useful article hanging, for the rest of the day, on a nail by the kitchen door, ready to be slipped on whenever there is an errand to the barn, or whenever the hair is to be protected from dust, or the features from unwished observation. Probably no passing stranger ever saw the face of an American girl while she was milking the cows or weeding the carrot-bed.

The parlor blinds were thrown open, their planed, and the kindest of welcomes given to us by this diagonal lady in her sunbonnet, and then, saying that her father would be in presently, she disappeared to see to more, to her visit." The old man was at work in his garden, but his slow steps were soon heard, and he entered the room. Throwing his hat upon the floor at one side of the threshold, and his stick at the other. With a smile on his face and both hands open, he came forward to greet the strangers. He was tall and hard, but evidently of the lithe and symmetrical build, which was likeliest to attain his present age of ninety-five. His head and features were remarkably fine. A sculptor would have modelled a Cæsar from them, a half century ago. Frankness, cordiality, and self-confident simplicity, were marked in his expression of face, voice and manners.

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Selected Articles.

THE VELOCITY OF LIGHT.

The rapidity with which the rays of light and heat traverse space is wonderful. In the case of the solar beams they move with the rapidity of at least 190,000 miles per second. This fact has been arrived at in three ways, namely, by the observations of Roemer in 1675 on the eclipses of Jupiter's satellites, by the brewing-time of Bradley in 1727, on the aberration of the fixed stars, and more recently by actual experiment. In the case of the solar beams, in each case the velocity was determined as a little more than 190,000 miles in a second. Let us for a moment pause to contemplate this wonderful fact.

The earth is distant from the sun about 95 millions of miles, and this space is travelled by light and heat in the short period of eight minutes and thirteen seconds. If we were to undertake the journey in a railway carriage, and were to travel night and day without a moment's pause at a rate of sixty miles an hour, we should take us about 182 years to go the distance; or if we were to travel through space with the velocity of a cannon ball, we should be nearly twenty years upon the course. Again, the earth from its here and there is distant from Neptune 2,900 millions of miles; and this vast distance is passed over in a period of fifty-eight days by the transit. Or suppose that we were to get upon the planet Mercury, which is the swiftest moving body of our system, and were to ride him straight on with his usual velocity of thirty miles a second, even then a period of thirty-seven days would be required to find the sun. Lastly, to make a comparison with the fleetest of all material bodies, and how little are the comparisons of the realms of space is at the enormous rate of 222 miles in a second—it would occupy five days four and twenty hours to go from the sun to the Earth, however, performs the journey in short a time as the twenty-first part of the time.

But amazingly great as is the velocity of light, it is as nothing compared with the incalculable velocity with which it emanates from the central. The beams of the noon-day sun, as we have already stated, have been found over a space of 95 millions of miles; those of the planet Neptune, which is the most distant of our system, are found to extend to the enormous space of 2,900 millions of miles; and they have taken about eight hours to pass from the sun to the planet, which is the planet to us.

Prodigious as this may appear when brought before us in the form of definite intervals of time and distance, yet even this stake into insignificance when it is compared with the almost immeasurable space that intervenes between our system and the fixed stars. The nearest of these, namely, the star called Centauri, is at the distance of about 20 billions of miles from us; and the light of that star must have occupied about three years and a half in its voyage. And as it is accomplished, a German gentleman standing on the Kentucky side saw the frail bark capsize, and the boy struggling in the water. The gentleman he divested himself of coat and boots, and was about to take away as much surface as possible from Sweden, and contrive that they shall adieu in first, as a sort of trial of the text for their subjugation. With this object in view, we must keep Sweden, in opposition to Hungary, Denmark to Sweden, and ruthlessly foster their mutual jealousies. The consorts of the Russian Princes must always be of Swedish origin. From among German Princesses, in order to multiply our family alliances with the Germans, and ultimately our interest with theirs; and thus, by consolidating our influence in Germany, to cause it, to absorb and open-counsel to our policy. We must be careful to keep up our commercial alliance with England, for she is the power which has most need of our products for her navy, and at the same time may be of the greatest service to us in the improvement of our own. We must export wood and other articles of commerce for gold, and establish permanent connections between her merchants and seamen and our own. We must keep Russia from extending her influence along the Baltic and southward along the Black Sea, and also from the Mediterranean, as much as possible in the direction of Constantinople and India. He who can get possession of these places has the real ruler of the world. With this view we must provoke constant quarrels at the line with Turkey, and keep Russia at war with Persia. We must establish wharfs and docks in the Euxine, and by degrees make ourselves masters of that sea as well as of the Baltic, which is a double important element in the successful of his schemes. We must invade the dominion of Persia, push on into the Persian Gulf: if possible, re-establish the ancient commercial intercourse with the Lower Empire Syria, and force our way into the Indies, which would be the consummation of the world. Once there we can dispense with English gold. When Sweden is won, Persia vanquished, Poland subjugated, Turkey conquered, and the Indies annexed, and the Euxine and the Baltic the basin of our inland seas, we will then make separate and secret overtures, first to the Court of Versailles, and then to that of Vienna, to share with them the dominion of the world. If either of them accepts our propositions, which is not likely, the remainder of their ambition and establishment are property worked upon, we must make use of this one to annihilate the other. This done, we have only to destroy the remaining one, by finding a pretext for a quarrel, the issue of which cannot be suspected, as Russia will then be already in the absolute possession of the East and of the best part of Europe. Should the impossible case happen of both rejecting the propositions of Russia—then we must play off the one against the other, and make them tear each other to pieces. Success must then watch for and seize the favorable moment, and pour her already consolidated hordes into Germany, while two immense fleets, laden with soldiers, proceed and conveyed by the waters of the Euxine and the Baltic and the Mediterranean and the Atlantic, they will overwhelm France on the one side, and Austria on the other. When these countries are fully conquered, the rest of Europe will fall an easy prey. Sweden, Denmark, Holland, Belgium, and Switzerland will be without a seconable advance on its first cost, adding transportation and insurance. So they obeyed and ran into the sea, and were obliged to sit in the boat till the ship came to take them off; and the latter was not seen if by yards, tions.

The old soldier gave us a thrilling description of the privations of the army in its brood march in the South. It was the wettest season ever known, and he had not a dry thread on him for weeks, but he never took cold. The rations were most to starvation—once a dried herring a day and no bread. At the battle of Monmouth every man in his company was shot, he himself escaping as no man is in the habit of escaping, he was in during the war, except a slight grase of a ball on the back of his left hand. The old man's feelings get the better of him, once or twice, in narrating the stirring scenes in which he had been a party, and he "choked off"—but it evidently gave him great pleasure to recall them. He said he had no memory for things, now, but he could remember perfectly what happened then, as if it were yesterday. He enlisted at the age of fourteen, and was in the army six years. Since the disbanding, at the Peace, he has been a farmer, taking no part in the war of 1812. His wife died eight years ago, at the age of seventy-nine, and his two only children, both grown, and with families among us, his support of her father, by drone-making.) live with him. His pensies of ten dollars a month is all he receives from the United States—but this, as well as for his wants.

To see these two men, to whose eyes Washington's living features and form had been familiar—sitting together and talking of him with the familiarity of a friend upon each other, and each seeing the memory-picture of the great man, as he talked or listened—gave a strange impetus to the imagination, a new zest to me for the conceiving at what Washington was, as a companion, and as he stood. It was the Present turned back to the Past, in the magician's mirror. As we drove home, I felt as if we were returning from a place where we had been once gone by—though my horses, by the unusual speed—Greene! Greene! Greene! Greene! I think oh't dare! He rix up in the bed, and he says, 'I AIN'T DEAD YET.'"—*Literary Museum.*

BRIGHT BE THE DREAMS.

BY SALLIE A. REEDY.

Oh, bright be the dreams that come to thee now,
As sweet may they flow on the tide
And soft be the starry light kissing thy brow,
While spirits thine watch o'er the bed.
There sit sleeping, I know, while I'm watching you
Dear.

That is smiling so calmly above,
And thinking of me—for that I forgive by
Of all sobs in the heaven of love.

I'm wishing I were but a soft summer breeze,
To fan the fringe o'er the sparrow
Of a night-bird, I'd plaintively sing and the trees,
And lull thee to soothing repose.
I'd be a bird in the forest—a mate here your kind
When love is the beautiful theme,
And those sparrow-like eyes of yearning hearts should still sing.
Thank they come to thee but in a dream.

I would that I were the soft angel of sleep,
To watch o'er thy radiant head,
To kiss from thy forehead the night-fall deep,
Till each star of the night sank had fled;
I'd press thee so warm to regain may always
If they sleep in yon fair world adorn—
Or to it they come in the morning a gleam,
All softened, yet brightened by love.

I go to my rest, and am courting ideal sat
Thou'rt there in the midst of the throng,
Thy whispering tone thou' my bright dreams will fill
Ah,
And I shall be happy with thee.
Then rest be the heaven in its murmuring flight,
And the stars of the night keep their vigil,
And may the morn find thee as joyous and bright
As thy sweet dreams are making thee now.

—Louisville Journal.

ECONOMY IN FOOD.

At least one-half of the world do not know how to economize their food. The first principle of "Economy in food," they would say, with a stare, "What do you mean? I must buy bread, and I get a joint because I like it, I buy eggs, and I can't get any bigger one. I cannot do without meat, and there is a useful deal of fish, eighteen pence a pound for beef and mutton! As for lamb, why, poor folks can't touch that; but I must have meat, and I will have it." And so they talk, in just so dear. I should like to see your economy, if you have to find for a family."

To you should, no you may, if you will come where we eat. We believe that a man can work hard, and yet eat no meat. Certainly, there is not a doubt that a perfect vegetable diet is natural of himself, and he can eat meat without running every day to the butcher to get it fresh. Each working family should keep their pig, and seldom touch fresh meat except at the season when pork is cheap. It is not good economy for a poor man to buy fresh meats at any time.

As for potatoes, skin-taxtle of them all the year round, and you will find them cheaper than they are the dearest article that is sold for the sustenance of man. The prices that odd potatoes are retailed at is equal to five times the pound, and those from Bermuda eight cents, and the little, round, waxy potatoes, costing things called "new potatoes," are sold at a price equal to twelve cents per pound. At the same time, potatoes are useful four or six months, and yet every body cries "what a dreadful price!" But potatoes are cheaper than flour; not only more economical, but more healthy, particularly for a variation of diet. One thing in the various preparations of Indian corn—the percent at all is the meal ground almost as fine as flour, while almost speils it for bread. Then there is the article known at the South and West, where it is extensively used, under the name of hominy. Here it is called samp, and is sold at about $2.50 a bushel, and one bushel is worth more than four bushels of potatoes. It is a good, palatable, wholesome, economical food. But a more generally acceptable food is rice, which is here at the West Indies. All these preparations of economical food are made by the North American Finland, and they are to be had in Boston, very largely, and of course sold to somebody that knows how to live in this hasty and pens.

Rice and pease are also articles that should enter much more into the consumption of all who claim economy in food. We believe that a dollar's worth of either would go further than six dollars' worth of fresh meat, or the choicest cuts of potatoes.

Rice is another economical article of food, and when well made, very largely, and of course sold to somebody that knows how to live in this hasty and pens.

Eggs, even at the usual high prices, are economical, because they are so easily cooked, a pin and sugar to them, you will be able to feed a hungry family for more economically than on any other food.

We might continue our list at economical articles of food, but we have no faith in working-people who are confined hours per day, and cool to that old round of bread, meat, potatoes and tea, that they do not appear to know, and more do anything else. Yes, they do one thing more; they generate at the high prices of the present time, the high price of the doctors, the beaters track made by folly, and travelled by her votaries.—*N. Y. Tribune.*

DIALECTS OF BIRDS.—I believe there is a dialect to the notes of birds. The song, for example, of a thrush near London, or even in my own neighborhood, has little resemblance, except in tone and specific character, to that of the same in Devonshire, or near Exeter. The same notes, I suppose, are discernible, but they are arranged for the most part in a different manner, and are sung in the same way. They are given with different cadence, and the singing is pitched in a different key. One great distinction between the two cases is the number of gutteral notes, of which the song of a Devonshire thrush is often made up, but which near London we hardly rally at the end of a line, or even much less frequently; while those chief notes which mainly constitute the song of the other bird, and make it so impressive, are rarely pronounced by the Devonshire thrush.—*Jesse's Country Life.*

THE GREYHOUND OF AFRICA.

Sterling writers name the commendable habits of the Arabs of Nubia, and the Bedouins of the Desert. Here, he is all other Arabs combine, the common dog, obtains the name of Kelb, and is held in contempt. The greyhound, Saluki, is still regarded as a commendable animal. Sometimes—it is disagreeable because of the greyhound called—the Abyssinian greyhound, which is a cross between the Saluki and the Abyssinian greyhound, is treated by the Arab with the greatest conside